Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Allen R. Osborn's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize these patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Osborn has devoted 23 years of his life to the service of this state and country in the Supply, Engineer, Administrative, and Military Police fields for the South Dakota Army National Guard, provided humanitarian service in the 1997 Watertown Flood, served overseas in Panama and the Netherlands, and deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Osborn continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Staff Sergeant Allen R. Osborn for 23 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 29, 2004, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-seventh Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State